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REGARDING YOUR QUESTION, IT IS MY OPINION - I HAVE CHECKED THIS WITH CORRESPONDANTS WHO NOT ONLY LISTEN REGULARLY TO THE ENGLISH AND FRENCH BROADCASTS BUT ARE MORE FAMILIAR WITH THE CAMBODIAN SCENE THAN I - THAT BROADCASTS IN LANGUAGES OTHER THAN CAMBODIAN ARE MEANT FOR THE APPROPRIATE LANGUAGE GROUPS WHEREVER THEY CAN BE REACHED. WE HAVE NOT LISTENED TO THE VIETNAMESE OR CHINESE PROGRAMS FOR SOME TIME, BUT I DO NOT RECALL ANY INDICATION THAT THEY WERE PARTICULARLY TAILORED

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TO A COMMUNIST AUDIENCE. THE CHINESE PROGRAM STILL INCLUDED PHNOM PENH ADVERTISEMENTS.

IN SPITE OF THE FACT THAT CAMBODIA HAS A LARGE CHINESE AND VIETNAMESE POPULATION I BELIEVE THAT PROGRAMS IN THESE TWO LANGUAGES, ALONG WITH FRENCH AND ENGLISH, SHOULD BE LOGOED "TO SOUTHEAST ASIA," AS THE AREA WHICH PHNOM PENH CAN NOW REACH WITH THEIR IRESENT EUUIIMENT.

AS THEIR NEW RANSMITTERS COME INTO OPERATION (SAY TWO OR THREE MONTHS) IT MAY BE THAT A MORE EXTENSIVE INTERNATIONAL NETWORK, IN ADDITION TO THE DOMESTIC NETWORK., WILL APPEAR.

FYI: IT ALSO APPEARS THAT FOR IMPORTANT ITEMS, CAMBODIAN IS THE ORIGINAL AND IN MANY CASES ENGLISH IS A VERBATIM TRANSLATION OF THE FRENCH, DEFINITELY NOT AN ENGLISH TRANSLATION FROM THE CAMBODIAN.

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